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APPLICANT : Farmer  
ASSIGNEE : GANEDEN BIOTECH, INC.  
SERIAL NUMBER 09/369,016  
FILING DATE : August 5, 1999  
FOR : METHODS FOR INCREASING THE SOLUBILITY OF ESSENTIAL  
VITAMINS & MINERALS IN MAMMALS USING PROBIOTIC  
LACTIC ACID-PRODUCING BACTERIA, SYSTEMS, AND  
COMPOSITIONS

EXAMINER : J. Kerr  
ART UNIT : 1633

June 26, 2001  
Boston, Massachusetts

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), applicant hereby petitions for a three-month extension of time to respond to the Office Action, mailed December 26, 2000, in the above-identified application. With this extension, the Response is due on or before June 26, 2001. A check in the amount of \$445.00, in payment of the fee as required by 37 C.F.R. §1.17(a)(3), is enclosed herewith.

Please charge any additional fees that may be due, or credit any overpayment of same, to Deposit Account No. 50-0311, Attorney Reference No. 19374-504. A duplicate copy of this Petition is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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